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volunteers through the use of that siren located within a residential area. In essence, what this would provide for is, my particular community would have a siren...they currently have a siren above the fire hall already in the center of town, in the commercial area. And this would allow them to continue to operate that siren or, as they've talked to me about, they want to put up a larger siren in that particular locale, and that would...

SENATOR BROMM: So, so if I...if in the village of Yutan, the siren that calls in the volunteer firefighters is located in a residential area, because that's the highest point in town...

SENATOR ABBOUD: Well, let me, let me kind of interject here for one moment. This only applies to Douglas County, and only applies to first class cities located within Douglas County. So Yutan is not involved in this, thank God.

SENATOR BROMM: Well, as long as we don't get in...you know, as long as the boundary line isn't changed we're okay.

SENATOR ABBOUD: I've learned a lot more about Elkhorn than I ever need to as well, so...

SENATOR BROMM: Well, I'm going to be listening, Senator Abboud. This seems to me like a very tenuous situation, and it's, I think...I'm just going to say that generally, these kinds of things should best be handled by the people in that jurisdiction. And so I kind of hate to see us doing a whole lot with this, but I needed to clarify those answers. And if it's only Douglas County I should sit down and be quiet. But I'm not sure that it's...that this is the kind of policy we want to embark upon. So, with that, thank you, Madam Chairman.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Senator Janssen to speak to the Abboud amendment to the committee amendments.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Madam Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. I would...yeah, I understand that this is a bill for fire protection, and I would like to have Senator Abboud, if he would join in a little discussion with me on this. Senator Abboud, will you answer a few questions?